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## THUSIASTIC AND HAPPY

Thousands of Epworth Leaguers in San Francisco Attending the International Convention.

## ARID HEAT TO COOL BREEZES.

Welcome and Exhilarating Change Met the Weary Pilgrims from the East as They Arrived at the Golden Gate City—Chorus of 2,000 Voices Furnishes Music—Speeches of Welcome and Responses.

San Francisco, July 18.—The International Epworth league convention 1901 was formally opened at the city's pavilion Thursday. For the past week the tide of travel has been toward San Francisco until the worth hosts 25,000 strong had been crowded into the city ready for the coming services. Arrivals continued all hours during the night and in the early hours of the morning, but the last belated train is in and the tired traveler has been given a warm welcome by the reception committee. The great pavilion was packed and ready. The last track had been driven and the last bit of color had been added in good time. The auditorium with seats for 10,000 and additional facilities for a chorus of 2,000, which will give special concerts, presented a pleasing sight. From the torrid temperature of the East to the cool breezes of the Pacific a temperature of 60, was a welcome and exhilarating change to the grims, if their looks and actions be taken as evidence. At 11 o'clock three celebrations of the Lord's supper were held in the First Presbyterian, Central Methodist and Howard Street Methodist churches. These meetings were purely devotional in character, but were attended by crowds that taxed the capacity of the buildings. At 1:30 p. m., a missionary conference was held at the headquarters on Larkin street. At the same time a business meeting of presiding elders and league officials assembled at the million in order to prepare for the day's activities. When Chairman then ascended the platform and appealed for order at 2:30 p. m., every eye in the building had an occupant, while many others sought standing room. The vast audience greeted the chairman with the Chautauqua salute and then listened to the opening song service. Addresses of welcome were made by Gov. Gage, Mayor Phelan, Bishop Hamilton and Rev. J. C. Edwards, of Woodland. Responses on behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church were made by Bishop I. W. Joyce, of Minneapolis; on behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, Rev. H. M. Du Bose, of Nashville, Tenn.; on behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church of Canada, Rev. James Henderson, of Toronto.

## FOR ONE-CENT POSTAGE.

Radical Reform in Treatment of Second-Class Mail Which Is Expected to Work Important Results.

Washington, July 18.—The postmaster general issued three orders designed to correct abuses in the second-class mail matter. It expects to effect a saving of from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 per annum. While the full effect of the reform will not be felt for perhaps a year, it is known that the department officials believe penny postage, at least for drop letters, will come, perhaps within the term of the present administration. There are three orders which cover the abuses which have existed in the past. One of these debarbs from the mails books and almanacs, and the periodical press. It will bar out novels which are subscribed for by the year and delivered at weekly or monthly intervals. Another order will bar weekly and monthly publications which are advertising schemes or which circulate through unusual premium schemes.

## "Divine Healer" Now a Vagrant.

Washington, July 18.—Francis Chatter, known as a "divine healer," was arrested on complaint of the Central Union mission, charged with vagrancy. It is said that steps will be taken to examine into his mental condition.

## Lightning Takes Boy from Horse.

Moberly, Mo., July 18.—Charles Crawford, aged 14 years, while riding horseback south of Clark, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Strange to say, the horse was uninjured.

## Big Fire at Marshall.

Fire, which started at 10:30 Wednesday morning in the basement of the New York store, at Marshall, Mo., the largest dry goods and clothing store in the town, destroyed an entire block of brick buildings, as follows:

New York Store building, valued at \$15,000; total loss; insurance, \$8,000.

New York Store stock, valued at \$50,000; total loss; insurance, \$33,000.

P. H. Rea Implement Co. stock, \$35,000; insurance, 12,000.

Two buildings owned by C. P. Page and occupied by Hanson Carpet Company and Link Grocery Company, valued at \$8,000; total loss; insurance, \$4,500.

C. N. Hanson, carpets, \$6,000; insurance, \$2,000.

Murphy Mills Clothing Co., damage \$200; fully covered by insurance.

R. E. Rea, meat market; badly damaged; no insurance.

Saline County Telephone Company; loss estimated at 15,000.

Electric Light Co.; loss \$500.

Telegraph, telephone and electric light wires are down, and service on them is suspended in the eastern part of the city.

During the progress of the fire the occupants of the other buildings within the apparently doomed part of the city were making preparations to move their effects to places of safety. A number were overcome by heat, the most serious case being that of L. P. Wiley, who fell prostrated from heat while attempting to save the shoe stock of the Myers & Bell Shoe Company. His condition is very serious. Dr. Manning and Joseph Huston were also prostrated. Many were seriously cut by falling glass while fighting the flames.

As soon as the fire was discovered the greater part of the population gathered on the scene. Everybody appreciated the gravity of the situation and it was the general opinion that the flames, which gained rapidly, were almost certain to destroy the entire square and reach the limits of the city.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but employees of the New York Store say that it originated in the basement of that building. One of the employees was in the basement about an hour before the fire was discovered and at that time says no signs of fire were visible.

## Cattle Dying by Hundreds Each Day.

St. Louis Republic.

Jackson, Miss., July 11.—A conservative estimate of the loss of live stock in the Mississippi delta during the past two weeks from the epidemic of charbon places the sum at \$500,000, and thus far all efforts to suppress the disease have proven of no avail.

Cattle are dying by the hundreds each day in the counties of Bolivar, Washington, Sunflower, Sharkey and Cummins, and the contagion now threatens to spread throughout the entire delta country, with grave danger of general infection all over the state unless prompt remedial measures are at once taken, which at present seems rather unlikely, as the state board of health is unable to give any assistance whatever on account of the fact that the legislative appropriation is available only for the suppression of diseases epidemic among mankind.

In Bolivar county alone 65,000 head of live stock have been killed by the epidemic during the past two weeks, and the planters and small farmers are panic-stricken. Cattle are being rushed to market regardless of price offered, and only a day or so since a farmer at Rosedale sold fifteen head of fine Jersey cows, worth \$65 each, for \$5 each, while another farmer sold ten head of fine mules for \$140. Two days later the new owners were mourning the loss of their possessions.

Veterinary surgeons have been summoned from all parts of the south to assist in stamping out the disease, but thus far their efforts have been almost futile, owing to the fact that the

## Pasteur anti-anthrax virus requires sixteen days to get in its effects, and in the meantime many of the animals vaccinated become infected and death speedily follows.

The form of the disease this year is more virulent than ever before, and ordinary precautionary measures have little effect. The animals are first taken with a high fever, quickly followed by the swelling of the lymphatic glands and eruptions on all parts of the body, somewhat resembling bubonic plague in this latter respect. The disease is so contagious that an animal may become infected eating the grass from a spot where an animal had died during the year previous, and instances are known where cattle have taken the disease from fodder grown over a spot where a charbon corpse had been buried several months before. In many parts of the delta the health officers are compelling the owners of live stock to burn all corpses, this being regarded as a preventative of further contagion from that foci.

Governor Longino received notice yesterday that seventy-five head of fine mules on one of the state convict farms in Sunflower county had died of the disease, and Captain John D. McInnis, chairman of the prison board of control, has been sent to the scene with authority to remove all animals belonging to the state from the affected area.

Tennessee has established a rigid quarantine against Mississippi live stock, and many counties are preparing to quarantine against each other. In the stricken district planters have been almost bankrupted by the epidemic, and it is feared that the gathering of the cotton crop will be seriously crippled.

Although the disease thus far has been confined principally to animals, human beings are not free from infection, and in quite a number of instances persons, who have been working with the sick stock, have been stricken with the disease. Two negroes died from charbon in Bolivar county during the early part of the week; several others are sick with the disease, and two white persons are under treatment.

Charbon is better known to the medical profession under the name of anthrax, and is one of the oldest diseases known to animals, and biblical students say that its present form is the same as that of the sixth plague which was visited on the children of Israel in Egypt, and which is extensively mentioned in the thirteenth chapter of the book of Leviticus, Moses calling it by the appellation, "the plague."

The Pasteur form of treatment requires an inoculation with the weak virus, after which the animal is kept closely housed until the twelfth day, and a second and stronger injection given. If the animal escapes infection for four days after this second treatment, it is regarded as immune.

Although the charbon corpse decompose very rapidly, in many parts of the delta, especially in Bolivar county, where hardly an animal has escaped it ravages, the stench that permeates the atmosphere is stifling to an extreme degree, and is gravely feared that much sickness among the population will follow later in the summer.

## Rush to the New Country.

Probably fifty persons left this county Tuesday and Wednesday on their way to El Reno, Ok., to register for a claim in the new land of promise. The registration at El Reno Tuesday was 8,635 and the total to date is 39,700. At Lawton Tuesday the registration was 3,828, the total to date 15,428 and the grand total being for both places 55,128.

Wednesday was designated as Kansas day by the registration officers at El Reno, on account of the statement

made by the railroad officials that several special trains would bring drouth stricken Jayhawkers to El Reno to register for homesteads in the new country. The Rock Island served notice that it expected to have at least 4,000 Kansans in Thursday. It brought in five train loads of people from the north Tuesday and three from the south. The Choctaw brought in four trains from the east.

Harry Barnes, son of ex-Governor Barnes, of Oklahoma, has opened up a notary's office there along with two Kansans, C. M. Myers and T. K. Richey, journal clerk and reading clerk, respectively, of the house at the last session of the legislature.

There is great rivalry among the map venders. Each one claims to have the best map. One fellow struck a brilliant idea Tuesday. He advertised that his map was the official government map, issued under the direction of the interior department. People fell over themselves to purchase his maps. Other map men, in order to knock him out, wired the interior department and received a reply that the government had not directed the publication of any map. The message was printed in black type on the front pages of the local papers that evening and the man with a government map had to hide out.

A gasoline stove exploded at the Kerfoot hotel Tuesday and for a few minutes that big structure, filled with guests from cellar to garret, was threatened with destruction. A panic was avoided through the coolness of S. G. Humphrey, the proprietor. The local fire department was called upon at three different times to put out small blazes in the business section of the city.

So anxious are some of the homeseekers to be at the head of the column when the booths open for the day that they wake up notaries in the middle of the night to take their acknowledgments.

The registration at El Reno Wednesday was 9,379 and at Lawton 3,200. The total registration at both places up to Wednesday evening was 68,107. The crowds still continue to rush in, the Rock Island railroad taking in sixteen trains Wednesday with 12,000 people and the Choctaw line ten trains with 8,000 people.

The local postoffice is crowded and people have to stand in line from one to six hours in order to get their mail.

Total is 80,786.

Registration at El Reno yesterday, 10,679.

At Fort Sill yesterday, 2,000.

Total registration to date, 80,786.

Total claims, about 12,300.

El Reno, O. T., July 18.—The long continued drouth in this section was broken today by a downpour of rain lasting an hour or more. It was quite general over the new country and a portion of the western section of original Oklahoma. It was the first rain for two months and was a godsend to the country. Homeseekers who have been roaming over the dusty trails in the new country for the past week are delighted.

The storm did not interfere with the registration here. Homeseekers stood out in line at the various booths through it all waiting to be registered.

At El Reno the registration aggregated 10,679, of which number 960 were old soldiers' agents. This has only been surpassed one day. That was Monday, when 10,976 were registered. At Fort Sill today 2,000 were registered, making the total registration 80,786.

Governor Richards estimated a week ago that no more than 80,000 would register before July 26, the closing day. Governor Richards says the big rush is now over and that the number will gradually decrease from day to day until the registration closes. Old soldiers' agents are showing up in great numbers now and the governor

will have to establish more booths to accommodate that class of applicants.

El Reno is in clover. The homeseekers have left about \$400,000 with the merchants up to date, and the amount will run to over \$1,000,000 before the drawing takes place. The notaries public alone will carry away more than \$25,000 for the sixteen days' work.

## S. N. Wilson Honored.

S. N. Wilson, chairman, of the democratic committee of Lafayette county, has been appointed a member of the board of managers of the school for the deaf and dumb located at Fulton. Few democrats have given as much valuable service to their party as has Mr. Wilson, and Governor Dockery has the endorsement of the entire party in his choice.

## Selected as Sponsor.

Miss Mary Graves, of our city, has been selected as state sponsor of the Missouri Sons of Confederate Veterans to assist at the unveiling of the confederate monument at Springfield, Mo., on August 10th. Miss Graves is the daughter of Hon. and Mrs. Alexander Graves, and will fully sustain the reputation of our city and county for lovely women. She will be chaperoned by Mrs. S. N. Wilson.

## The Jacob Dold Packing company's plant at Wichita, Kas., caught fire at 5 o'clock Tuesday morning and the entire building with the exception of the engine house and office was destroyed. It is estimated that the net loss is over \$600,000, the insurance being in the neighborhood of \$336,000. There was between 4,000,000 and 7,000,000 pounds of meat in the house. The value of the buildings is estimated at \$285,000 and the machinery about \$200,000.

## A Texas Wonder.

HALL'S GREAT DISCOVERY.

One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, sexual emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two month's treatment, will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, St. Louis, formerly Waco, Texas. Send for testimonials. Sold by Crenshaw & Young.

## READ THIS.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 27, 1900.—This is to certify that my wife has had severe rheumatic pains between her shoulders for more than two years and it gives me great pleasure to say, after using one bottle of The Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, she is entirely cured.

J. W. NORDMAN, 2064 Olive St.

## BULL FOR SALE.

Young bull for sale; good size; good color; good individual; thoroughbred. 6 22t

T. B. CAMPBELL.

## Cornerstone for Soldiers' Home.

St. James, Mo., July 18.—The cornerstone of the new dormitory at the federal soldiers' home at this place was laid by Campbell Wells, grand master of the grand lodge, A. F. & A. M. Many visitors were present.

## Suicided After His Disappointment.

Troy, Kan., July 18.—George Teitzen, a prominent farmer of this place, committed suicide by shooting himself. He had just spent \$4,000 in dissipation and was despondent.

## Texas Fever Attacks Cattle.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 18.—Splenic, or Texas fever, has broken out in a herd of cattle shipped from this city to E. C. Whitford at Fairfax, Mo. The herd has been placed under quarantine.

## Indian Territory Mine Inspector.

Washington, July 18.—The president has appointed William Cameron mine inspector for Indian territory and D. Clem Deaver receiver of public moneys at O'Neill, Neb.

## Drew His Brother's Pension.

Macon, Mo., July 18.—Thomas Carr, of Edina, is under arrest charged with impersonating his dead brother and drawing a pension of \$10 a month.

## PILES

Cured by Olinx Salve. Satisfaction or price refunded. All druggists.